To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to Oppose SB 874. I am specifically opposing section 17 and 18 that would require homeschoolers to register with their district and create a framework of curriculum. It has recently come to light that the purpose of this registration is to send the information to DCF. This is absolute discrimination against homeschoolers. It is treating people who legally educate their own children like criminals. In order for this not to be discriminatory, it would have to apply to all children and include those in the private sector.

In Connecticut, we value our independence and the right to choose what is best for our child. For some that is public education, for others it is private schools or homeschooling. We should not be made to register with a school that our children do not attend.

In conclusion, I urge you to strike out Section 17 and 18 in SB 874 which is blatant discrimination against parents exercising their legal right to homeschool.

Sincerely, Dustin Anders